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SUBJ: SECURITY COUNCIL: REPORT OF VISITING MISSION TO BENIN

1. ON MARCH 8, AMBASSADOR ILLUECA, PRESIDENT OF THE VISITING MISSION TO BENIN, VISITING MISSION MEMBERS AMBASSADOR KIKHIA (LIBYA) AND MULYE (INDIA), SC SECRETARY GLEISSNER (AUSTRIA) AND VISITING MISSION SECRETARY KALINKIN (USSR) MET WITH AMBASSADOR YOUNG TO PRESENT THE REPORT OF THE SC VISITING MISSION TO BENIN. ILLUECA DESCRIBED THE 357-PAGE REPORT (72 PAGES IN THE BODY OF THE REPORT PLUS ALMOST 300 PAGES OF ANNEXES) AS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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"COMPREHENSIVE AND OBJECTIVE" AND SAID THAT THE MISSION MEMBERS HAD UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED IT. ILLUECA SAID THAT THERE WERE NO SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS THAT THE VISITING MISSION WISHED TO MAKE SINCE ITS MANDATE HAD BEEN AS A "FACT"FINDING" MISSION. KALINKIN ESTIMATED IT WOULD TAKE FROM TEN DAYS TO TWO WEEKS TO EDIT, TRANSLATE AND REPRODUCE TNE ENTIRE DOCUMENT AND SUGGESTED THAT THE BODY OF

THE REPORT BE INFORMALLY CIRCULATED IN ENGLISH THE SAME AFTERNOON. YOUNG AGREED.

2. ALTHOUGH KALINKIN SUGGESTED THAT CONSULTATIONS WOULD BE INAPPROPRIATE UNTIL THE REPORT IS CIRCULATED IN ALL COUNCIL LANGUAGES, YOUNG SUGGESTED THAT CONSULTATIONS BE HELD ON MARCH 15 TO DISCUSS HOW TO DEAL WITH THE BENIN REPORT AND THE WORK SCHEDULE INCLUDING THE SG'S REPORT ON THE MIDDLE EAST. ILLUECA SAID HE THOUGHT YOUNG WOULD BE UNDER GREAT PRESSURE TO HAVE CONSULTATIONS NO LATER THAN THE 15TH. IT WAS DECIDED THAT CONSULTATIONS WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, MARCH 15 AT 10:30 AM TO DISCUSS THE "REPORT ON BENIN AND THE COUNCIL'S WORK PROGRAM."

3. WE WILL TRANSMIT THE CONCLUSIONS OF THE REPORT BY SEPTEL. YOUNG $\protect\$

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